

Three areas of insect information are explored in three parts of the book. A small section, "The Strangeness of Insect Life," whets the reader's appetite with bits of information obviously chosen to fascinate. Part II, "What Life Is Like for an Insect," is concerned with fundamental activities in the insect's day-to-day life. Here one finds general information about how an insect eats, sleeps, moves about, flies, uses its senses, etc. Three-quarters of the book is devoted to Part III, "Lives of Familiar Insects"; fourteen insects representing eleven orders are individually treated. Background information is interwoven with brief but rather complete life histories so as to give each insect a personality of specific activities, economic importance, place in history, and even pertinent quotes from literature.

There are 16 full pages of expert photographs by the author. These camera studies bridge the gap between the word descriptions and reality and add considerably to the eye-appeal of the volume. Additional illustrations are provided by the artistic and detailed drawings of Su Zan Swain, which head each chapter.—J. FORBES

### Recent Publication

A LIST OF THE APHIDS OF NEW YORK by Mortimer D. Leonard, *Proc. Rochester Acad. Sci.*, 10:6:289-428, 4 pls., Feb. '63, paper covers, \$1.50. Included are life histories, economic importance, method of feeding, production of winged forms, productivity, rôle as vectors of plant viruses, distribution records of 350 species and over 700 food plants.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE NEW YORK ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

MEETING OF OCTOBER 4, 1960

President Shoumatoff called the meeting to order at 8:05 P.M. in Room 129 of the A. M. N. H. The minutes of the previous May meeting were approved as read. Twenty-six members and five guests were welcomed to this first meeting of the season. The President announced the sad passing, just two days before, of our fellow-member, Herbert Schwarz. Mr. Huntington, a friend and colleague of Mr. Schwarz, spoke of their long association, of their field trips together with Dr. Lutz, and concluded with the tribute, "He was the kindest man I ever met." The following resolution, prepared and read by Dr. Asher Treat, was approved by the members:

"In the death of its Honorary Life Member, Herbert F. Schwarz, The New York Entomological Society knows the most painful loss that it could possibly experience. Few of our members have